

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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Appln. No.: 09/688,848

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Title:

Nucleic Acid Molecules and Other

Molecules Associated with Plants

Art Unit: 1634

Examiner:

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Petition to Revive Unintentionally Abandoned Patent Application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Attn: Mail Stop Petition

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Abandonment mailed June 3, 2003, Applicants hereby petition for revival of the above-captioned application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b). Authorization to charge the official fees for this petition is provided in the accompanying transmittal letter. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

An Office Action, Paper No. 10, was mailed to Applicants on August 27, 2002, setting a six-month period for reply. A reply to the Office Action mailed August 27, 2002 is included herewith.

Applicants respectfully submit that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b) was unintentional, and respectfully request that the application be revived.

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In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned. Applicants do not believe that any fees, other than those provided for in the accompanying transmittal letter, are due in conjunction with this filing. However, if any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 are required in the present application, including any fees for extensions of time, authorization to charge such fees is provided in the accompanying transmittal letter. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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